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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON CARIBBEAN INITIATIVES

REF: STATE 097979

1. PRELIMINARY AND INFORMAL REACTION OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS TO THE QUESTIONS RAISED IN REFTEL IS AS FOLLOWS:  
THE DEMARCHE THAT STATE IS PROPOSING COULD BE MORE  
EFFECTIVELY UNDERTAKEN IN THE CAPITALS. THE PROPOSAL TO  
GET THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK TO TAKE A BROADER VIEW  
OF ITS MANDATE AND EXTEND ITS ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE  
ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN WOULD REQUIRE A BASIC CHANGE  
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IN POLICY THAT COULD ONLY BE MADE IN THE CAPITALS OF THE  
CARICOM COUNTRIES. THIS IS A BASIC POLITICAL DECISION  
THAT THE COUNTRIES' REPRESENTATIVES AT THE CDB MEETING  
IN GUYANA-- FINANCIAL SECRETARIES AND GOVERNORS OF  
CENTRAL BANKS-- WOULD NOT BE IN POSITION TO MAKE.  
AS SUGGESTED IN THE FIRST QUESTION OF REFTEL, THE COUNTRY

REPRESENTATIVES ARE MORE APT TO BE TECHNICAL PEOPLE WITH ONLY LIMITED INFLUENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE POLICY QUESTIONS RAISED.

2. THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INDICATED THAT THE GOJ IS PREPARED TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE U.S. PROPOSAL AND THAT ALL CARICOM COUNTRIES EXCEPT ONE (UNNAMED) MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO CONSIDER IT FAVORABLY.

3. THE MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVE SUGGESTED THAT IT MAY BE UNFAIR TO FAULT THE CDB FOR HOLDING A " NARROW VIEW" OF ITS MANDATE. THE CDB, AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF CAARICOM AS PRESENTLY CONSTITUTED, COULD NOT IN HIS VIEW, TAKE A BROADER VIEW (I.E. UNDERTAKE ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN) WITHOUT A NEW SET OF DIRECTIVES FROM THE CARICOM MEMBERS.  
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